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CentreCom announces Pronto Internet Telephony Solution for Small Business Users
Bundles Router/Gateway with calling package to assist Internet Service Providers to quickly deliver VoIP solutions

SAN JOSE, CA - October 26th, 1999 In conjunction with the ISPCON - Fall 99 trade show here this week, CentreCom Inc. has announced a new service offering which combines their CenterOne long distance services with a low cost customer site Voice Gateway/Router from TEK DigiTel Corp. (OTC BB:TEKI). The resulting "Pronto" package provides everything required for CentreCom's ISP (Internet Service Provider) partners to enable their own business customers to access the cost savings and sophisticated telephony features of the company's CentreOne service over their current Internet access.

"We have found that many ISPs look at local and long distance voice offerings as the key to service differentiation, improved profitability and healthier margins for their business as basic IP delivery becomes more of a commodity." Says Don Feuer, President and CEO of CentreCom Inc., "However, the complexity of designing, building and marketing these services is beyond the current resource capabilities of many of these providers. We have worked with TEK DigiTel to try and eliminate this by offering a complete package solution that ISPs can offer without making a significant initial investment themselves.

For a flat monthly rate of \$99/month ISPs can offer their customer a Pronto package that includes:

- a Router/Gateway that connects to an ISDN, Analog, DSL, or Cable Internet access as well as the customer's existing analog phone(s) and PC(s)
- a CentreOne calling package that provides 500 minutes of free long distance calling a month to locations in the USA, Canada, Hong Kong, Taiwan, United Kingdom, Australia and 18 other countries. The free calling package can also be used to make calls to over 200 other countries for a smaller amount of time.
- the ability to exceed the package's 500 monthly minutes by paying for calls using the company's low long distance rates.
- the company's "Follow-me Anywhere" service which allows callers to track you down by routing calls to your office, home, cellular and/or Pronto phone.
- a North American (800) toll free number which can be used to make/receive conventional and IP phone calls from anywhere in the world (local numbers will soon be available worldwide).

- CentreOne Voice and Fax Messaging
- Unified Messaging intergrated with "follow-me" services.

By putting the VoIP Gateway at the customer site, Pronto eliminates the need for service providers to buy, install and maintain large VoIP gateways in their facilities. The large Gateways required to terminate the VoIP calls into the PSTN are owned and maintained by CentreCom. In addition, a focus on ease-of-install and ease-of-use in the Pronto unit reduces the need for involvement by the ISP's staff to get users online.

"We designed the Pronto package as a tool to accelerate the adoption of Internet Telephony among non-technical business users." Says Rocco DiCarlo, president of TEK DigiTel Corp. "By combining all the parts required by the customer into a simple monthly rental charge, by producing a device and a set of processes for service providers that eliminate the need for installation visits and by making an Internet phone call as easy as calling on the conventional telephone network, we are trying to remove the complexities that delay the inevitable propagation of Internet Telephony into the small business world."

In addition to providing them with a packaged Internet Telephony solution, TEK DigiTel and CentreCom will work with ISP partners to jointly market and promote the Pronto offering. CentreCom and TEK DigiTel representatives, the Pronto package and TEK DigiTel's line of low cost access devices will be on display Oct 26-28, 1999 at the TEK DigiTel booth (# 2112) at the ISPCON show in San Jose, CA.

## About CentreCom Inc. (http://www.centrecom.com)

Based in Southern California, CentreCom Inc. is a facilities-based enhanced global Internet telecommunications carrier. CentreCom utilizes traditional telecom infrastructures and the Internet and offers seamlessly integrated local, long distance and international voice and messaging services. The company has introduced new cost and functionality price points for calling services, one-number calling which also incorporates CentreCom's patent pending phone to PC, PC to phone "follow-me" services and Web-enabled call center applications. Founded in 1997, CentreCom Inc. is privately held and expects to undergo an Initial Public in the near future. CentreCom Inc. estimates to have over 3,000,000 subscribers by the end of the year 2000.

## About TEK DigiTel Corporation (<u>http://www.tekdigitel.com</u>)

Based in Germantown, Maryland, TEK DigiTel Corporation delivers integrated CPE (Customer Premise Equipment) communications solutions optimized for use in SOHO, small- and medium-sized businesses. Working with Service Providers and OEM partners, the Company is focused on integrating fax- and Voice-over-IP (VoIP) technologies with conventional PBX systems and data routing devices to create a low- cost, easy-to-use Internet communications hub. Founded in 1998, TEK DigiTel is publicly traded (OTC BB: TEKI) and headed by a management team with extensive related experience gained at leading manufacturers and service providers including Motorola, 3Com, IBM, Nortel Networks, Rockwell, Hughes, MCI Worldcom, Bell Atlantic, Bell Canada, BellSouth, and GTE.

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